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GOT MORNINGER TOGO PRESSE FEBRUARY 11 FRONT PAGED INTERVIEW WITH
USUN AMBASSADOR ANDREW YOUNG FOLLOWING MEETING WITH TOGO PRESIDENT
GENERAL GNASSINGBE EYADEMA. STORY CARRIED PHOTO OF YOUNG AND
EYADEMA. QTE MR. YOUNG DID NOT DISCLOSE THE SUBJECT OF THEIR
DISCUSSION BUT HE SAID HE SAID HE AND GENERAL EYADEMA HAD PRO-
MISED TO SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN FOR A LONGER TALK. HE SAID HE HAD
HEARD A SOUTHERN AFRICAN PRESIDENT, AND NOW HE WAS HEARING A
WEST AFRICAN PRESIDENT. INNER QTE OUR COUNTRY WANTS TO KNOW
WHAT AFRICANS EXPECT OF US. END INNER QTE.

QTE MR. YOUNG DOES NOT THINK THAT THE US BELIEVES THE GENEVA
CONFERENCE ON THE RHODESIAN QUESTION TO HAVE BEEN A FAILURE,
BECAUSE THE TALKS ACCOMPLISHED SOMETHING, AND SUCH CON-
FERENCES CANNOT ACCOMPLISH EVERYTHING IN A SHORT SPACE OF TIME.
INNER QTE I WILL DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO SEE THAT THE US SEEK
THE CONTINUATION OF SUCH CONFERENCES. IT WOULD TAKE A LONG TIME
TO LIBERATE ZIMBABWE THROUGH ARMED STRUGGLE. IF WE CAN ACCOMPLISH
THE SAME THING THROUGH DIALOGUE, WE WILL SEEK TO RESUME DIALOGUE.
END INNER QTE.

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QTE. MR. YOUNG THINKS SECRETARY OF STATE VANCE WILL GO TO
THE MIDDLE EAST IN A FEW WEEKS. HE SAID THE US DOES NOT WISH
TO IMPOSE ITS POINT OF VIEW ON OTHERS, BUT IT WILL DO ALL IT
CAN TO HELP RESOLVE THE (MIDDLE EAST) PROBLEMS. END QTE.

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